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DEPARTMENT PLEASE PASS TO DIA (AH) AND ASD(ISA)

BELGRADE ALSO FOR USDEL CSCE
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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: HU, CSCE, US
SUBJECT: PROPOSED CSCE IMPLEMENTATION DEMARCHE: HUNGARY

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(NOTAL), D. BUDAPEST 1761 (NOTAL), E. BUDAPEST 1760 (NOTAL),

F. PRAGUE 1721, G. BUDAPEST 1087.

1. SUMMARY: EMBASSY BELIEVES RENEWED DEMARCHE TO GOH ON CSCE IMPLEMENTATION MIGHT BE USEFUL THREE-FOUR WEEKS PRIOR TO BELGRADE FOLLOW-UP MEETING, IF WE CAN FIRST GET AUTHORITY FROM DEPARTMENT TO MOVE AHEAD WITH OUR PROPOSALS FOR VISA FACILITATION (REF D) AND OUR INVITATION OF HUNGARIAN MILITARY DELEGATION TO US (REF C). HOWEVER, EMBASSY WOULD NOT WISH TO GO OVER SAME GROUND COVERED IN OUR LAST SESSION WITH MFA OFFICIALS NOR TO ATTEND MEETING WHICH HAD NO PROSPECT OF CONCRETE RESULTS SINCE AS PRAGUE POINTS OUT WITH RESPECT CZECHOSLOVAKIA (REF F)SSHS WOULD HAVE PROPAGANDA VALUE FOR COMMUNISTS WITH NO COMMENSURATE GAINS FOR US. END SUMMARY.

2. AT THIS POINT, EMBASSY HAS FEW NEW CSCE ISSUES OR PROPOSALS TO RAISE WITH GOH IN NEW ROUND OF CSCE IMPLEMENTATION TALKS. RE BASKET III ITEMS WE DO NOT WISH INTRODUCE ANY NEW PROPOSALS UNTIL WE HAVE NEGOTIATED PROGRAM DOCUMENT ANNEX TO CULTURAL AND SCIENTIFIC AGREEMENT. WE SEE NO PURPOSE IN REITERATING POINTS MADE AT LAST LARGE BILATERAL CSCE MEETING.

3. SIMILARLY, WE DO NOT WISH BRING UP AGAIN CALL FOR GREATER GOH FORTHCOMINGNESS ON ECONOMIC STATISTICS ESPECIALLY IN VIEW OF ITS FAIRLY GOOD RECORD IN THIS DOMAIN. WE BELIEVE GOH HAS BEEN RELATIVELY FORTHCOMING RE FACILITATING BUSINESS
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CONTACTS WITH WEST, AND SHOWS SIGNS IT WILL CONTINUE TO ACT LIBERALLY AS ECONOMIC TIES DEVELOP.

4. ON CONSULAR MATTERS, WITH LIKELY ACCEPTANCE BY GOH OF:
A) OUR PROPOSAL ON ISSUANCE OF VISAS TO US OFFICIALS PERMANENTLY ASSIGNED TO BUDAPEST FOR DURATION OF THEIR STATUS (REF E) AND B) PROPOSAL TO ISSUE VISAS VALID FOR SIX MONTHS TO TDY PERSONNEL (REF D), THERE REMAINS LITTLE OF PRACTICAL VALUE WE CAN PROPOSE IN THIS AREA. WE MIGHT, HOWEVER, PROPOSE ISSUANCE OF MULTIPLE-ENTRY VISAS TO BUSINESSMEN.

5. EMBASSY INTENDS TO RAISE FAMILY REUNIFICATION MATTERS WITH HUNGARIANS ONLY IF GOH DOES NOT MOVE BETWEEN NOW AND TIME OF OUR DEMARCHE TO RESOLVE CURRENT DIVIDED FAMILY CASES IN LINE WITH ASSURANCES PROVIDED REF B.

6. ON POLITICAL QUESTION OF IMPROVED CONTACTS, CHARGE INTENDS SEEK APPOINTMENT NEXT WEEK WITH JANOS BEREZ, HEAD OF HSWP FOREIGN AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT. POLIOFFICER WILL ALSO SEEK APPOINTMENT WITH ROMANIAN DESK OFFICER IN FMA TO DISCUSS RECENT KADAR-CEAUSESCU MEETING. IF THESE APPOINTMENTS ARE NOT GRANTED,

EMBASSY WOULD THEN RAISE THEIR REFUSAL WITH GOH DURING CSCE DISCUSSIONS IN CONTEXT OF EXPRESSED DESIRE OF BOTH PARTIES TO INCREASE EXCHANGE OF VIEWS ON MATTERS OF MUTUAL INTEREST.

7. BY TIME OF ANY FUTURE USG-GOH MEETING ON CSCE, EMBASSY WOULD ALSO LIKE TO HAVE ALREADY BEFORE GOH ITS INVITATION FOR AHUNGARIAN MILITARY DELEGATION TO VISIT US. IF NO GOH ACTION HAD BEEN TAKEN ON INVITATION IT WOULD BE A DESIRABLE TOPIC FOR CONVERSATION.

8. FINALLY, IT MIGHT BE WORTHWHILE FOR EMBASSY TO RAISE WITH GOH ISSUES OF GENERAL APPLICABILITY TO EAST EUROPE AS A WHOLE WHICH US DEL MIGHT BE PLANNING TO PUT FORWARD AS PROPOSALS OR SUGGESTION AT BELGRADE. WE WOULD WISH TO CONFIDENTIAL

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REVIEW SITUATION IN AUGUST IN LIGHT OF HUNGARIAN RESPONSES TO OUR INITIATIVES TO MAKE SURE THAT SUFFICIENT NUMBER OF OUTSTANDING ISSUES REMAIN RENDERING IT WORTHWHILE TO PURSUE THEM ON OR ABOUT SEPTEMBER 1. HUNGARIANS HAVE ALREADY PUBLICLY CITED AT BELGRADE PREPARATORY CONFERENCE AND ELSEWHERE THEIR BILATERAL MEETINGS WITH WESTERN HELSINKI PARTICIPANTS AS MAJOR INDICATION OF POSITIVE MANNER IN WHICH THEY ARE IMPLEMENTING CSCE. THEY CAN BE EXPECTED TO MAKE SIMILAR PROPAGANDA USE OF SUCH MEETINGS IN FUTURE. LIKE EMBASSY PRAGUE, WE FEEL WE SHOULD NOT THEREFORE ENGAGE IN SUCH MEETINGS UNLESS WE SEE THEM AS LEADING TO SIGNIFICANT CONCRETE RESULTS.

9. ACTION REQUESTED:

A) REPLIES TO REFTELS C AND D.

B) ANY SUGGESTIONS DEPARTMENT MIGHT HAVE WITH REGARD TO ISSUES IN ADDITION TO THOSE DISCUSSED ABOVE WHICH WE MIGHT RAISE WITH GOH AT POSSIBLE BILATERAL MEETING ON CSCE IMPLEMENTATION.

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